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## State Park Commission Postpones Anza-Borrego Hearing

SAN DIEGO -- A meeting of the California State Park and Recreation Commission set for Saturday, May 3, is being postponed because of scheduling conflicts among members. The meeting at the Marriott Hotel and Marina in San Diego was to consider the proposed Preliminary General Plan and Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for Anza-Borrego Desert State Park<sub>®</sub>.

"Because there was a question whether several members of the commission could attend the meeting, we thought it best to look for a future date when they could attend," said Ruth Coleman, Acting Director of California State Parks. "We will reschedule this hearing for sometime in the fall, possibly November."

Also on the agenda was consideration and action on the Department's recommendation to allow sales of wine at the 2003 Mendocino Music Festival.

Anza-Borrego Desert State  $Park_{\odot}$  is located in the California desert East of San Diego, surrounding the community of Borrego Springs. At over 600,000 acres, it is among the largest state parks in the United States. The park preserves more than half of the critical habitat of the endangered Peninsular Bighorn Sheep.

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